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7/6/04**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 7, 2002, and to the Holding of Applicants response as non-responsive of March 22, 2002. This paper is filed within one month of the March 22, 2002, communication.

Applicants hereby elect Species V, relating to Figures 6A-6E, without traverse. Claims 1-4 and 10-15 correspond to Species V.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected invention. A preliminary amendment is filed herewith under separate cover. Please charge any fee associated with the filing of this paper to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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Reg. No. 38,800AMENDMENTAssistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 4 as follows:

4. (Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim 1, further
comprising:a second insulation film formed above the space region, the second insulation film being
different from the first insulation film; anda third insulation film formed on a sidewall of the groove section, the third insulation film
being different from the first and second insulation films.

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 4 as follows:

4. (Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim 1, further comprising:

a second insulation film formed above the space region, the second insulation film being different from the first insulation film; and